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December 2, 1980

Dear Mr. Pasio:

Thank you for your inquiry of November 14 on behalf of your constituent, [redacted] concerning the detention in Argentina of Francisco Hernan Pais. B6

The Department of State has no information concerning Mr. Pais's detention. We will ask our Embassy in Buenos Aires to inquire into Mr. Pais's whereabouts and welfare at the Argentine Foreign Ministry's Working Group on Human Rights. Should any information become available, the Embassy will notify your office.

Be assured that the human rights situation in Argentina continues to be an issue of major concern, and we take every opportunity to seek improvements in this area.

Sincerely,

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS

Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

( ) Release (X) Excise ( ) Deny

Exemption(s): [redacted]

Declassify: ( ) In Part ( ) In Full

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J. Brian Atwood  
Assistant Secretary  
for Congressional Relations

Enclosure:

Correspondence returned.

The Honorable

Vic Pasio,

House of Representatives.

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